The Senior Experience

Homestead High School is Making it Happen!





WE ARE a comprehensive high school in suburban Fort Wayne serving 2380 students. We like to think we are a big school with a small school feel!

OUR STUDENTS & FAMILIES value a range of experiences and opportunities for their students.

OUR TEACHERS are an innovative group working in a 1 to 1 computing environment, striving to provide the best blended learning environment possible.

OUR PROMISING PRACTICE

At Homestead High School we have redesigned and restructured the school day and week to allow students to experience a college class schedule with high school supports. This experience allows students the opportunity to address barriers to post-secondary education while having the assistance and encouragement of both their families and the Homestead high School faculty. The Senior Experience provides seniors more freedom and responsibility for their own education. The flexibility provided by allows for valuable learning opportunities not easily obtained when students are scheduled in classes all day Monday through Friday, such as student initiated group collaboration, one-on-one time with teachers, internships, work experiences, and job shadowing. The Senior Experience allows students to develop life skills vital in the transition to postsecondary goals. It is our desire that participating in the Senior Experience will help our students confidently transition to post-secondary opportunities with the skills necessary to be successful.

The Senior Experience also offers students the opportunity to reduce the repetition between required high school classes and college course work while potentially completing their general education courses before officially entering a university. Research shows that students who earn college credit while in high school are more likely than their peers to not only pursue post-secondary education opportunities, but to also complete their degree within two or four years. Combine this fact with the opportunity to save hundreds, if not thousands of dollars by taking transferable* dual credit courses offered in the Senior Experience program and it is easy to see some the benefits of this program.

IN OUR OWN WORDS "I feel like the Senior Experience has really help me grow and feel confident that I really can do this."

-Emma Zolman (Class of 2015)

"I am glad I had the opportunity to struggle with harder classes and time management while home before I go away to college next year."

-Katherine Jimenez (Class of 2016)

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